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RESPONSE—PRE-APPEAL CONFERENCE

Sir:

The following Remarks are responsive to the Office Action of 07/17/2007.

REMARKS

The Office Action of 07/17/2007 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and the present remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 3, 5, 10, 12, 17 and 19 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter, which indication is appreciatively acknowledged.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-9, 11, 13-16, 18 and 20 were rejected as being anticipated by Page. This rejection is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The claims have previously been amended to recite sampling an *analog* video signal using a variable sample rate that is adjustable both upward and downward. No such feature is taught or suggested in Page.

In Page, the emphasis is on data compression. Page provides for A/D conversion and for subsequent *downsampling* of the resulting *digital* signal. The degree of downsampling is maximized within the constraints of the Nyquist theorem. Initial A/D conversion, however, is performed at a *fixed* sampling rate.

The Examiner's attention is drawn particularly to col. 2, lines 61-63 of Page, cited in the Office Action: "Resampler 17 samples *up to* a maximum sample rate equal to that used by the ADC 13, *or at a significantly lower rate* for low bandwidth signals." The sample rate of the resampler 17 may indeed be adjustable both downward and upward. The signal sampled by the resampler, however, is a *digital* signal, not an *analog* video signal as claimed. With respect to the *analog* signal applied to the ADC 13 of Page, strictly speaking, the sample rate is *fixed*, not variable. What Page in reality discloses is

an apparatus for resampling a *digital* (not analog) signal in accordance with a variable sample rate that is adjustable both downward and upward.

Page is therefore not believed to anticipate the claims as currently amended.

Withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-20 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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